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APPLICATION NO: 08/945,249

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FOR: USE OF (R)-PENCICLOVIR TRIPHOSPHATE FOR THE
MANUFACTURE OF A MEDICAMENT FOR THE TREATMENT OF
VIRAL DISEASES

MS: After Final

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed July 4, 2003, having a shortened statutory period of three (3) months, please enter the following Remarks and Amendments into the record.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.